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TAGS: [PREL](#) [PGOV](#) [MARR](#) [KPAL](#) [TU](#) [EG](#)  
SUBJECT: RAFAH BORDER: GUARD KILLED BY PALESTINIAN SNIPER;  
LIFELINE 3 ENTERS/EXITS GAZA; BTADS ON HOLD

REF: A. CAIRO 2397 (2009) B. IIR 6 899 0140 10 C. CAIRO 2394 (2009) Classified By: DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION MATTHEW TUELLER FOR REASONS 1.4 (B)

1.(S) Summary. An Egyptian border guard was killed by a "Palestinian sniper" Jan 6 during protests against Egypt's steel wall on the Gaza/Egypt

2.(C) On January 6 MFA and MOD contacts confirmed that a "Palestinian sniper" killed an Egyptian border guard during protests along the Philade

3.(C) Separately, Viva Palestine's "Lifelife 3" convoy (which included British MP George Galloway and a convoy of vehicles carrying aid) arrive

8.Turkish CDA Sadi Altinok told poloff Jan 11 he had been in constant communication with the MFA and Ankara over the convoy, which had included

4.(C) Altinok said 7 demonstrators were "detained" briefly by the GOE following confrontations with security forces on Jan

[16](#). He said the detainees had scuffled with police when the group was told it would be restricted to the Arish airport until their entire convc

5.(C) FM Aboul Gheit told visiting Codel Hastings Jan 10 (septel) that Egypt was upset with Turkey's role in "facilitating" the convoy. He said

6.(S) Installation of an FMF-funded tunnel activity detection system along the Egypt-Gaza border is currently on hold given the protests and on